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Honorable Stanley R. Chesler, U.S.D.J.
United States District Court
U.S. Post & Courthouse
Federal Square & Walnut Street
Room 417
P.O. Box 999
Newark, New Jersey 07101

Re: North Jersey Brain & Spine Center v. Blue Cross Blue Shield of Maryland
Civil Action No.: 11-6360(SRC)(MAS)

Dear Judge Chesler:

I write on behalf of the parties to respectfully request that defendant's pending motion to dismiss, currently returnable January 3, 2012, be carried for one (1) additional cycle to January 17, 2012, to enable the parties to continue settlement discussions with the goal of fully resolving the pending matter. Due to the holidays and the need to address matters with several parties, it is not likely that a final settlement is possible until after the New Year. Defendant has no objection to this request.

Thank you.

Respectfully,

/s/ Eric D. Katz

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cc: All counsel (via ECF)